

Subject: Charles L. Lawhon's
coin collection

See: Lawhon, Charles L.

Recipient: Noe, Sydney P.

Lawhon, Charles L., Mrs.
(Knoxville, TN)

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Knoxville Tenn
May 18th 1927

The American Numismatic Society
Dear Sirs.,

While looking
thru Mr Chas L. Lawhons
papers, I find he was elected
an Associate Member of the
Society. Mr Lawhon passed
away Sept 4th 1926.

He have his collection
of Greek coins, a complete col
lection, which he worked on
for fifteen years. They are
now in the Helgado Museum
N.O. They were just loaned.

Now we have inherited
the coins, and want to sell
them. Can you help me
to sell them thru the Society?
Thank you for whatever information
you can give us.
Sincerely, Mrs Chas L. Lawhon.

May 23, 1927

Mrs. Charles L. Lawhon,
Knoxville, Tenn.

Dear Mrs. Lawhon:

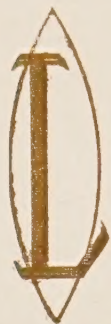
Your letter of May 18th is at hand and I am sorry to learn of Mr. Lawhon's death. I am interested in what you write regarding his collection of Greek Coins, and I wonder if you have a descriptive list of them which would give us some idea of the size and scope of the collection. It is possible that we can help you sell it, but because the condition of Greek coins plays so large a part in any valuation of them, it would probably be necessary for you to send them to New York. If the collection is one that has been brought together by an experienced collector, as seems reasonably to be the case, I feel sure that we could help you market it to better advantage than almost anyone else and relieve you of any distrust of an agent who might prove unsatisfactory.

Awaiting your further word, I am

Very truly yours,

Secretary

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May 27th 1927
Knoxville Tenn

Mr Sydney P. Noe

Dear Sir, Received
your kind answer to my letter, &
in regard to data about the
coins, am sending under separate cover
what we have at hand, & my son
in B'ham Ala has the classified list
of coins, and could send that
list to you later. Have written today
to him & could send it on soon.
Thank you very much for
your interest.

Sincerely,

Mrs Chas L. Lawhon.

1910 - Prospect Place, Morningside.

May 31, 1297

Mrs. Chas. L. Lawhon,
1910 Prospect Place,
Morningside,
Knoxville, Tenn.

Dear Madam:

Your letter of the 27th at hand, as well as the newspaper account of which it speaks. This, like most newspaper accounts, is very inadequate and I should be very glad to have the classified list when you receive it. With that in hand and with the illustrations in the newspaper article, we can tell whether it would be advisable for you to send on the collection.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

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Knoxville Tenn

June 20th - 1927

Mr Sydney Roe,

Dear Sir;

Your letter of May 31st received
and have been delayed in
sending the classified list,
as my daughter had the list
in B'ham Ala. I don't under-
stand about these coins, & can't
say if this list is complete.
If there are three coins
listed on each card, well that
might make the list, but I
don't know about it. There
are 340 coins in the collect-
ion in the Museum. Of course
you will let me know if
the collection of coins would
be needed, & as we have
friends in N.C. that would
fix them up & send them
Thank you for your interest
Sincerely, Mrs. Chas. Lawton.

June 29, 1927

Mrs. Charles Lawhon,
1910 Prospect Place,
Morningside, Knoxville, Tenn.

Dear Mrs. Lawhon:

Yours letter of the 20th and the cards have both been received. I note that you state you are not certain that the list is complete and that there are 340 coins. You are correct in thinking it incomplete. From the list, however, the collection seems to be sufficiently promising to warrant our suggestion that you send it to New York. With ancient coins everything depends on the condition of the pieces and no dealer would make you an offer without seeing the coins. We cannot promise to make you an offer for the collection without seeing it, but from the cards and from the newspaper article, it seems very probable that we shall be able to do so and what is more to the point, you may have confidence in being fairly treated at our hands, which would not necessarily be the case with some of the dealers to whom you might send them.

I note that you say you have friends in New Orleans, who say that they can pack and send them. The best way of doing this would be to lay them in newspapers in short rows edge to edge and fold them tightly and then to place an other row and fold again. Do not have them packed so that they will rub one against the other. They should be sent insured or protected against loss in some fashion. I shall expect a brief word from you as to when we may expect the coins.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

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Knoxville Tenn
July 12th - 1927

Mr Sydney Roe,

Dear Sir,

Received your letter, of the
25th, and as my son
will be making a trip,
to N.O on the 16th of
Aug. he can see that
the coins are packed
a shipped in order to
you, and after that
date you can expect
them. Thank you

Sincerely,
Wm Chas. Lawton.

October 19, 1927

Mrs. Charles Lawhon,
Knoxville, Tenn.

Dear Madam:

Referring to your letter of July 12th in which you state that the collection of coins you propose sending to us would be sent by your son after the 16th of August, I write to say that this is the last word we have had in regard to the matter. I am doing this merely to provide against the package having gone astray, in case it has been sent.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

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Oct 24. 1927

Knoxville
Tenn

Mr. Roe,

Received your letter
on the 22ⁿ and so sorry
about you not receiving
word about the Coins!

My son did go to
N.C. on the 16th of Aug.
But relatives & friends
persuaded us to leave
the coins there a while
longer and I expected
my son to write to you
folks, and guess he
neglected to do it. So
sorry - and later we may
send the coins to you.
Thank you for your kindness
Sincerely - Mrs. C. Latham

10th November, 1927

Mrs. C. Lawhon,
Knoxville, Tenn.

Dear Madam:

I have your letter of October 24th. Please bear in mind that if you send these coins later we should appreciate a word from you that they are coming, so that if their delivery is delayed for any reason that fact will not be withheld from you and render the tracing them difficult or impossible.

Very truly yours,

Secretary